

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L LONDON 00645

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PDEV, RH, UK, US  
SUBJECT: RHODESIA: NATURE OF OWEN'S COMMENTS TO THE  
SOUTH AFRICANS

REF: A) STATE 008301; B) 77 LONDON 20718

IN CONVERSATIONS HERE, FOURIE EXPRESSED ON SEVERAL  
OCCASIONS HIS BELIEF THAT SMITH WOULD NOT ALLOW THE  
SALISBURY TALKS TO COLLAPSE ON THE ISSUE OF A BLOCKING  
THIRD. WE KNOW OF NO REMARK OR SUGGESTION BY OWEN  
WHICH FOURIE MIGHT HAVE CONSTRUED AS A "REQUEST" OR AS  
AN INDICATION THAT THE UK OR THE US MIGHT WISH IN SOME  
WAY TO GET INVOLVED IN THE TALKS.

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## Message Attributes

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